GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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TRIBAL CULTURAL TROUPE CARNIVAL
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to organise a tribal cultural troupe carnival in the lines of the republic day parade;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Tribal Affairs organized the National Tribal Festival VANAJ in New Delhi from 13th to 18th February, 2015. It was organised in three venues which included the Central Park and the BKS Marg at Connaught Place and the Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts (IGNCA) at Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road, New Delhi. The festival provided glimpses of rich cultural heritage of tribal people across the country through unique forms of folk dances, songs and other traditional practices and focused on developing sense of appreciation of the cultural diversity of the country amongst the citizen.

Artists and performers from the states of Assam, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Odisha, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Telangana and West Bengal took part in traditional dance and music events of the state concerned. The other highlight of the Festival included setting of stalls, exhibition of books, art and crafts, tribal cuisine, award winning photographs and demonstration of traditional skill in painting, craft and medical practices. Screening of documentary films and conducting seminars on subject relevant to tribal issues were other attractions of the six days event.